

# WILDLAND FIRE TRAINING

## S.E.A.T. (Single Engine Air Tanker) Ground Support Operations



**Subjects covered:** SEAT Reload Base Set-Up, Ramp Operations, SEAT Loading Operations, Communications Procedures and Aviation Safety. This is a “hands-on” training event.

*Last year the State made SEAT aircraft available to Fire Departments for use in the suppression of fire in Central and Eastern South Dakota. The possibility of that availability happening in the future is very good. In order to maximize the benefit of SEAT availability it is imperative that fire departments have firefighters trained to work with and support SEAT aircraft. SEATs are a very valuable resource provided departments have the knowledge to use them to the full potential.*

**Date:** Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007 / 08:00-16:00 (perhaps longer if there are a large number of students)

### **Location: Platte Fire Station and Platte Airport**

Class will begin at the Platte Fire Station and then move to the Platte Airport for the hands on evolutions

**Instructors(s):** LaVerne Hermanson Fire Training/Aviation Officer SD Division of Wildland Fire Suppression  
Beth Hermanson, Wayne Kummer & Pat Bootz also with SDWFS

**Cost:** \$5.00 to cover lunch

**PPE REQUIRED:** Students will be **required** to have Nomex PPE (shirt or coat and pants or coveralls), leather gloves and leather boots as the plan is to work with aircraft and we will be ‘Hot Loading’ the ships.

***PLEASE*** pre-register prior to April 10<sup>th</sup> by calling or emailing one of the following. Pre-registration will help to better pre-plan the ‘hands-on’ evolutions and aircraft work. **HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

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### **Lodging available:**

Kings Inn (800) 337-7756, 211 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street (1 ½ blocks from Fire Station), Indoor Pool and Hot-Tub  
Dakota County Inn (605) 337-2607, 821 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street (East edge of Platte)